

Michele Abeles

Born 1977, New York
Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

Education

2007 MFA, Yale University, New Haven, CT

1999 BA, Washington University, St. Louis, MO

Solo Exhibitions

2024 *Turbo*, 47 Canal, New York

2020 *October*, 47 Canal, New York

2019 The Karpidas Collection, Dallas

2018 *world cup*, Sadie Coles, London

2016 *Zebra*, 47 Canal, New York

2015 *Baby Carriage on Bike or Riot Shield as Carriage*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

2014 *Find Out What Happens When People Start Getting Real*, Sadie Coles, London

2013 *Αγγλικά για Γραμματείς*, Andreas Melas & Helena Papadopoulos, Athens
English for Secretaries, 47 Canal, New York

2011 *Re:Re:Re:Re:Re*, 47 Canal, New York

Group Exhibitions

2024 *Tabula Rasa*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York

2022 *REPEATER*, Sadie Coles, London
blue monday, 47 Canal, New York

2021 *Object Lesson*, Tilt Institute for the Contemporary Image, Philadelphia
Tempest, Tanya Leighton with Sadie Coles, Tanya Leighton, Berlin

2020 *AND/ALSO: Photography (Mis)represented*, Kasmin Gallery, New York

2019 *Objects Recognized in Flashes*, Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna
B-Hopping, Boers-Li Gallery, Beijing
Flora + Fauna, Sadie Coles, London
Pastoral (Grind and Drone), 47 Canal, New York

2017 *Woman with a Camera*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago

2016 *Her Wherever*, Halsey McKay Gallery, East Hampton, NY

Group Exhibitions (continued)

- 2015 *NO MAN'S LAND: Women Artists from the Rubell Family Collection*, Rubell Family Collection/
Contemporary Arts Foundation, Miami
America Is Hard to See, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York
Second Chances, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen
- 2015 *Images that Speak*, Satellite Gallery, Vancouver
DIDING An Interior That Remains an Exterior?, Künstlerhaus Halle für Kunst & Medien, Graz,
Austria
Duddell's Presents: ICA Off-Site: Hong Kongese, Institute of Contemporary Arts, London
- 2014 *The Material Image*, curated by Debra Singer, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York
Samsonite, SWG3, Glasgow
Never Enough: Recent Acquisitions of Contemporary Art, Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas
Rites of Spring, Contemporary Arts Museum Houston, Houston
A World of its Own: Photographic Practices in the Studio, The Museum of Modern Art, New York
- 2013 *Speculations on Anonymous Materials*, Fridericianum, Kassel, Germany
Meanwhile...Suddenly and Then, 12 Biennale de Lyon, France (catalogue)
Test Patterns, Whitney Museum of Art, New York
The Cat Show, curated by Rhonda Lieberman, White Columns, New York
APRIL, Sadie Coles HQ, London
Empire State. New York Art Now, curated by Alex Gartenfeld and Norman Rosenthal, Palazzo
delle Esposizioni, Rome (catalogue)
- 2012 *New Photography 2012*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York
Bulletin Boards, curated by Matthew Higgs, Venus over Manhattan, New York
Manscape, curated by Christopher Eamon, Lora Reynolds Gallery, Austin
Group Show, West Street Gallery, New York
Context Message, Zach Feuer, New York
The Still Life of Vernacular Agents, curated by Nadine Zeidler, Krupa-Tuskany, Berlin
Out of Focus, Saatchi Gallery, London (catalogue)
The Piano Lesson, Vilma Gold, London
Recto/Verso, The Approach, London
Looking Back / The 6th White Columns Annual, curated by Ken Okiishi and Nick Mauss, White
Columns, New York
- 2011 *Historia Mysteria*, Renewick Gallery, New York
ReMap3, Helena Papadopoulos/Andreas Melas, Kerameikos-Metaxourgeio, Athens
The Idea of the Thing that Isn't, curated by Rachel Uffner, Halsey McKay, East Hampton, NY
Glee, curated by Cecilia Alemani, Blum and Poe, Los Angeles
SKIN SO SOFT, curated by Josh Kline, Gresham's Ghost, New York
HOW DO YOU DO, organized by Margaret Lee, NOMA Gallery, San Francisco
Vide-Poche, curated by Fionn Meade, Sculpture Center, Long Island City, NY
- 2010 *Inaugural Exhibition*, New Jersey Museum of Contemporary Art, Asbury Park, NJ
Michele Abeles & Dominic Nurre, West Street Gallery, New York
Home and Origin, curated by Rodrigo Mallea Lira, Bukowskis, Stockholm
Gallery 2, "the backroom," organized by Kate Fowle, MOMA P.S.1, Long Island City, NY
in here, Laurel Gitlen Gallery, New York
Seven Summits, curated by Matt Porter, Mount Tremper Arts, Mt. Tremper, NY

Group Exhibitions (continued)

- Greater New York 2010*, MOMA PS1, Long Island City, NY (catalogue)
Michele Abeles/Margaret Lee/Darren Bader, organized by Margaret Lee, White Columns, New York
- 2009 *Blind Spot Auction Exhibition*, X Initiative, New York
Circular File: Episode 2006, screened Nov. 14th on MNN, Performa 09, New York
A Song for Those in Search of What They Came For, curated by David Benjamin Sherry, Bellwether Gallery, New York
The Newest New York, Prague Bienelle 4, Prague
Oneshot, curated by Jesper Elg/v1 gallery, Werkstette, Copenhagen
Young Curators, New Ideas, PPOW Gallery, New York
Curious Silence, Soil Gallery, Seattle, WA
Wreath of Poppies, Co-Lab Gallery, Copenhagen
- 2008 *Swapmeet*, curated by Amy and Wendy Yao, High Desert Test Sites, Joshua Tree, CA
(Untitled) u = ____ [a photographic group show], Fette's Gallery, Los Angeles
- 2007 *Yale MFA Photography*, Danziger Projects, New York
Ooga Booga Publications Booth, NADA, Miami
Swapmeet, curated by Amy and Wendy Yao, High Desert Test Sites, Joshua Tree, CA
Yale MFA Thesis Exhibition, Green Hall Gallery, New Haven, CT
Proof! We're Gone, Big Car Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- 2006 *Smoking Mirrors*, China Art Objects, Green Hall Gallery, 2nd Year MFA, New Haven, CT
- 2005 *Festival of Emerging Photographers*, Art and Commerce, New York, Tokyo, Japan, Stockholm, Sweden, Madrid, Spain
Random Happenings, V-1 Gallery, Copenhagen
Portraits, National Arts Club, New York
- 2004 *The Hunt for Your Family*, V-1 Gallery, Copenhagen
A Show Curated by Loyal Magazine, Odd Number Gallery, Stockholm
Sustaining Vision, curated by Ann Wilkes Tucker, Photographic Center Northwest, Seattle, WA

Awards

- 2010 Rema Hort Mann, Visual Arts Grantee
- 2000 Richard Benson Award, Excellence in Photography, Yale University

Public Commissions

- 2017 *Milano v2*, Tate Modern, London
- 2015 *Baby Carriage on Bike or Riot Shield as Carriage*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

Conferences and Symposia

- 2012 The Museum of Modern Art, Forum on Contemporary Photography

Conferences and Symposia (continued)

- 2010 The Museum of Modern Art, *Greater New York 2010: Artists Present*
- 2007 Yale Center for British Art, *Ethics of Photography: Graduate Symposium*

Publications

- 2022 *Object Lesson: On the Influence of Richard Benson*, Aperture Foundation, New York, 2022
- 2019 *Objects Recognized in Flashes*, Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna, Austria, 2019
- 2016 *Zebra*, Sadie Coles, London and 47 Canal, New York, 2016
- 2015 *Photography at MoMA: 1960 to Now*, edited by Quentin Bajac, Lucy Gallun, Roxana Marcoci, and Sarah Hermanson Meister, 2015
Photography is Magic, Charlotte Cotton, 2015
VI x VI Positions on the Future of Photography, edited by Bettina Steinbrügge, Amelie Zadeh, Gabriele Spindler, Kunstverein and Landesgalerie Linz, 2015

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- 2022 Buchmann, Sabeth. *Camera Austria*: "One Image After the Next," March 2022
- 2020 Abeles, Michele. *Spike Art Magazine*. "Image Contributions," December 2020
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Skopalová, Eva. *Fotograf #35*, "Ninfa Æterna: The Human Between The Animal and the Extensiveness Of The Universe," May 2020.
Prinzhorn, Martin. *Texte Zur Kunst*. "Arten der Abstraktion," February 26, 2020
Artforum. "Artist Project: Michele Abeles," January 2020
- 2019 *Patron*: "An Intimate Conversation," April 11, 2019.
- 2017 Larmon, Annie Godfrey. *Artforum*: "Michele Abeles," February 1, 2017.
- 2016 Schwendener, Martha. *The New York Times*: "Michele Abeles," December 9, 2016.
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- 2015 Cattelan, Maurizio and Papini, Marta. *Purple*: "On (Women) Photographers: Michele Abeles," September 2015.
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Kunstverein in Hamburg and Landesgalerie Linz. *VI x VI Positions on the Future of Photography*.
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- 2013 Pfeffer, Susanne. *Speculations on Anonymous Materials*. Fridericianum, Kassel 2013.
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- 2011 Velasco, David. *ArtForum*: "Openings," November 2011.
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- 2005 Peek: Art & Commerce Exhibition Catalogue, 2005.
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- 2004 Loyal: "The Hunt for Your Family," 2004.

Public Collections

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Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas
Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami
Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna
Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
The Museum of Modern Art, New York
Rubell Family Collection, Miami
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York